

App. Serial No.: 10/726,070  
Atty. Docket No.: 0003-033P2

### REMARKS

These remarks are in response to the Final Office Action dated August 31, 2005, which has a shortened statutory period for response set to expire November 30, 2005. No extension of time is required.

### Claims

Claims 1-20 are pending in the above-identified application. Claims 1-19 are allowed. Claim 20 is rejected over prior art and is canceled herein. Claims 1-19 remain as filed or as previously presented. Allowance of the application is respectfully requested.

### Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. § 102

Claim 20 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102 (b) as being anticipated by Atkinson et al. (USPN 2,946,626). Claim 20 is canceled to expedite issuance of the previously allowed claims. The cancellation of Claim 20 is not an admission with respect to the propriety of the rejection.

All remaining claims (1-19) are allowed. Therefore, Applicants respectfully request allowance of this application. If the Examiner has any questions or suggestions for expediting the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is requested to contact Applicant's attorney at (269) 279-8820.

Respectfully submitted,

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